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SUBJECT: MOZAMBIQUE: IRAN RESOLUTION THIRD COMMITTEE VOTE
DEMARCHÉ RESPONSE

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(SBU) On November 17 poloff delivered reftel talking points to Faruque Faquira, Head of Department, Directorate for International Organizations and Conferences, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Faquira stated he was following this issue closely and had been in contact recently with the Mozambican Mission in New York on the vote. He indicated that Mozambique traditionally abstains on issues of this nature, and said he saw no reason why things would be different this time. Though he did admit that Mozambique often votes as a block with other African nations, he did not believe that this would affect the final outcome, stating it was "very unlikely" that Mozambique would support a no-action motion on the Iran resolution because Mozambique attaches great importance to human rights issues.
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